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In re Application of :
Michael P. Dallmeyer, et al. :
Application No. 10/642,629 :
Filed: August 19, 2003 :
Attorney Docket No. 2003P12572US :

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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed January 17, 2007, to revive the above-identified application under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to respond in a timely manner to the Notice of Allowability mailed March 22, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on July 26, 2006. In response, on January 17, 2007, the present petition was filed.

There is no indication that the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute the above-identified application. However, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature of Edward J. Stemberger appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he is authorized to represent the particular party on whose behalf he acts. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to petitioner. However, if Mr. Stemberger desires to receive future correspondence regarding this application, the appropriate power of attorney or authorization of agent must be submitted. All future correspondence regarding this application file will be directed solely to the address of record.

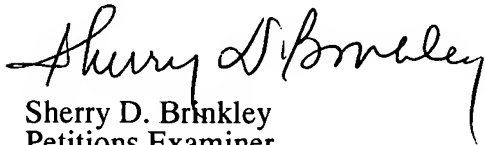
The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of corrected drawings, (2) the petition fee of \$1,500 and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay¹.

Accordingly, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application is being referred to the Office of Publications to oversee the review of the drawing filed January 17, 2006.

¹ 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3) requires a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. While the statement is not made by an attorney of record, such statement is being treated as having been made as the result of a reasonable inquiry into the facts and circumstances of such delay. See 37 CFR 10.18(b) and Changes to Patent Practice and Procedure; Final Rule Notice, 62 Fed. Reg. 53131, 53178 (October 10, 1997), 1203 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 63, 103 (October 21, 1997). In the event that such an inquiry has not been made, petitioner must make such an inquiry. If such inquiry results in the discovery that it is not correct that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional, petitioner must notify the Office.

Telephone inquires related to this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204.
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